



NATURE

Our park is a natural wonder.

Take an out-of-the-ordinary hike along our trails. Admire the variety of birds and wildflowers. New Quarter Park's mature forest and open meadows provide wide-ranging habitat for wildlife including turtles, frogs, snakes and more.

Watch local newspaper listings for opportunities to learn about this unique natural setting by attending programs.

Birdwatching, Plant Identification, Natural Heritage, Bugs & Critters, Fossil Timeline, Star Gazing Nights



Contact York County Parks and Recreation at (757) 890-3500 for details. Ask to use New Quarter for research projects and field studies.

New Quarter Park's 545-acre preserve includes mature woodlands and open meadows, habitat that supports a diverse population of plants and animals. The park sits on a bluff of fossil shells and is surrounded by tidal creeks and marsh plains.

COMMUNITY

Share your love of nature.

Join neighbors for trail talks, music and storytelling. Bring celebrations out to enjoy the fresh air. From picnic shelters to scenic trails you'll find outdoor places to gather and be inspired.



New Quarter's campfire circle offers a spectacular view of Queen Creek with seating for 100 people. It's perfect for scouts and sing-a-longs.

Games for Groups, Songs & Stories Around the Campfire, Music Under the Stars, Scout Day

Ask about group shelter rentals for picnics, retreats, celebrations and more.



RECREATION

Enjoy the great outdoors.

New Quarter has biking and hiking trails, playground equipment, basketball and sand volleyball courts, a softball field and open meadows for games and impromptu fun. Come by the park office to borrow our game equipment.

Biking,
Walking,
Softball,
Canoeing,
Fishing

Reserve recreational facilities for family reunions and business retreats.

A floating dock rides atop tidal water in Queen Creek. Canoe and kayak access at your own risk; fishing is allowed, but a license is required. Anglers can expect to catch croaker, spot and catfish.



Imagine the past.

New Quarter's shell-packed soil reminds us of ancient and prehistoric times.

The first Europeans to explore the park may have been from the band of Spanish Jesuits who came here around 1570. Captain John Smith befriended warriors of the Powhatan empire across the York River .

Queen Creek played a role in the development of Williamsburg as Virginia's colonial capital. Sloops plied the waterway loaded with tobacco. This land supported Carter's Grove plantation and African-Americans tended livestock and harvested timber here.

New Quarter was a quiet place—until the Civil War when the Battle of Williamsburg was waged nearby. In the 20th century, the land belonged to the federal government until it was acquired by York County for recreational use.

Ask about using New Quarter Park for living history programs.

HISTORY

